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In re Application of: )  
Yasuomi TAKAGI et al. ) Group Art Unit:  
Application No.: Not Yet Assigned )  
Filed: Concurrently herewith ) Examiner:  
For: EFFICIENT PROCESS FOR )  
PRODUCING DUMBBELL DNA )

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Sir:

**CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 365 and 35 U.S.C. §119, Applicants hereby claim the benefit of the International Application, PCT/JP2004/011449, filed August 9, 2004 (Publication No. WO2005/014810) which in turn claims the benefit of Japanese Application, No. 2003-206905 filed August 8, 2003.

Respectfully submitted,

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